



Friday 27 March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I'll keep tonight's briefing concise and hope you are all safe as this week (like no other) comes to a close. **Later this evening you will receive a video clip demonstrating how we are supporting your young person and it gives a clear indication of how the partnership between, students, staff and parents is vital, particularly in this time of extraordinary upheaval.**

**1) Health and Wellbeing**

We have NO recorded cases of Covid-19 at the College.

**1) Prayer**

Today we live-streamed Deacon Adrian Gomez's prayer which was a decade of the Rosary and next week we are planning on hosting a meditation with Mr Ralph Kershler, via Zoom.

**1) Year 12 Student Leadership and SRC**

On Monday 30 March I will be hosting a Zoom meeting with Year 12 Student Leadership and the SRC to touch base and get a view of the students' voice for an early indication on how our Remote Learning Policy is travelling. This will be one part of an overall evaluation process which will involve a parent survey before the end of Term 1.

**1) Flexible Facilities**

It was great to see our new and refurbished learning spaces being used as recording studios by our teachers to prepare interactive lessons.

**1) Light and Life**

We CONGRATULATE Mr Kember on the arrival of his beautiful daughter Indiana today; everyone is doing well; a much-needed celebration of life. (We hope he is back for his second video next week).

**1) Social Beings**

Our College is a social place and we are already finding out that our students miss enjoying each other's company and we miss having them on campus (online has its limitations!). I have no doubt they are craving the social contact and this was obvious on the interactive lessons I've seen today.

**1) Get Out for a Walk, bike ride ... skate ... just away from that screen**

Now as a community if we still have the opportunity to take a walk – in our local communities – with our immediate family – please do so - at a safe distance because let's face it ... we all need some three dimensional viewing away from the screen.

**1) Parish Bulletin:**

Please find a link to the Hornsby Cathedral Parish Bulletin, paying close attention to Father Peter's discussion of the closure of the physical Cathedral but how the "human Church, to which we are all belong, is always open".

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I'm sure you would agree we are all fully aware we are part of a global moment in time, where we are all sharing each other's anxiety, hope for change, and an overwhelming sense of community, on a macro and micro level, and may God guide us at this difficult and confusing time.

**Tony Gleeson**  
**Principal**